

Capacity Building Activities, Projects and Opportunities

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General information

Title of the initiative

ILO Study on the Impacts of Modern Technology

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Beneficiary country(ies)

- Switzerland (coordinated from Geneva)
- Global

Type of initiative

Start Date

Ending date

2001-01-01

2001-12-31

Donor(s) information

Agency(ies) or Organization(s) implementing or sponsoring the initiative (Additional Information)

- Organization: International Labour Organization (ILO)
- Type of Organization: UN Agency

Budget information

ILO members

Availability of funds for participants

Yes

Activity details

Description of the initiative

In 1993, the International Labour Conference adopted a resolution concerning exposure to and safety in the use of biological agents in the workplace. The governing body of the ILO requested that the Director-General to take fully into account in the ILO programme the question of exposure to and safety in the use of biological agents at work; and consideration of the need for international instruments in order to minimize the risks to workers, the public and the environment. ILO prepared a study on the impact of modern technology, including gene technology, on workers' health and the environment. The study identifies potential risks related to the introduction of these new technologies.

International level activities

Publications

Objective and main expected outcomes or lesson learned

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To look into exposure to and safety in the use of biological agents at work

To study the impact of modern and gene technology on workers' health and the environment

Objectives

To address biotechnology safety, risk assessment and management issues in the workplace.

Main outcomes

1) A study on the impact of modern technology, including gene technology, on workers' health and the environment.

General thematic area(s)

· Public awareness, participation and education in biosafety